

## Fred W. Schloss Accepts Idaho Appointment

The Health Services Corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and the Cassia Memorial Hospital in Burley, Idaho, jointly announced today the appointment of Fred W. Schloss as the new administrator of the Cassia Memorial Hospital effective October 8, 1973. Mr. Schloss is presently the administrator of the Wasatch County Hospital in Heber City.

The Cassia Memorial Hospital is a 102 bed hospital located on a 12 acre site in the city of Burley, Idaho. The hospital employs about 200 people with a yearly payroll of over \$750,000. The medical staff includes twenty-four physicians with both general practitioners and specialists.

The hospital is owned by Cassia County and operated by Health Services Corporation, which also operates fifteen other hospitals in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming.

Mr. Schloss expressed his reluctance in leaving Heber Valley at this time. However, he did point out that the assignment in Burley was an outstanding one in the hospital field and would open up new opportunities to continue his career in hospital administration.

# Fred W. Schloss Steps Down As Hospital Administrator

Harold H. Smith, Chairman of the Wasatch County Hospital Board of Trustees and Fred W. Schloss, Hospital Administrator, in a joint statement announced today that through a mutual agreement Mr. Schloss would be retiring from the position of Administrator at the Hospital sometime in the latter part of the month of July to pursue other personal interests.

Mr. Schloss expressed his regrets in stepping down at this particular time but pointed out that the change appears to be advantageous to both himself and the board and is voluntary on both sides. He also pointed out that the progressive attitude today in the hospital

administrative field among young certified administrators is to look toward a change in administrative responsibility approximately every five years. With the first of July 1973, Mr. Schloss indicated that he had been employed by the Hospital Board for a period of five years and that he had completed the basic task given by the Board, to put together, organize, and set in motion a well functioning facility.

In leaving his position at this time Mr. Schloss felt that he was returning to the Hospital Board a well organized Hospital, a competent staff, and a financially sound operation with reserve funds in the bank. He

also wanted to publically express to the Hospital Board his thanks for their support and confidence during the past five years.

In speaking of the Hospital Employees, Mr. Schloss expressed his admiration and appreciation to all those great individuals who have served with him at the hospital and have made it one of the finest small hospitals in the State of Utah. He also expressed his thanks to all those who have served the hospital and community so well as pink ladies.

In speaking for the Hospital Board, Mr. Smith expressed his sincere regrets at the loss of Mr. Schloss as the Adminis-

trator. He pointed out that the Hospital had come a long way under the capable direction of this administrator and that the Board and the community owe Mr. Schloss their heartfelt thanks for his efforts in the past five years. The task has not been easy and Mr. Schloss has spent many long hard hours in making the Hospital what it is today.

In approaching the task of a replacement, Mr. Smith and Mr. Schloss have been requested by the Board to secure capable applicants to be considered in filling the position of administrator so as to provide sound continuity in this transitional period.

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## Wasatch Hospital Administrator Retires by 'Mutual Agreement'

HEBER CITY — Harold H. Smith, chairman of the Wasatch County Hospital Board of Trustees has announced the retirement of Fred W. Schloss, administrator at the hospital by mutual agreement.

Mr. Schloss expressed regrets in stepping down at this

particular time but pointed out that the voluntary change appears to be advantageous to both himself and the board. He noted that the attitude today in hospital administration is to change administrative responsibility approximately every five years.

Mr. Schloss has been employed by the hospital board for a period of five years. He said he completed the task given him: the board to put together, organize, and set in motion a functioning facility.

In leaving the position, Schloss said he feels he is returning to the hospital board a financially sound operation with reserve funds in the bank also recognized the board's support and confidence during the past five years.

In speaking for the hospital board, Mrs. Smith expressed regrets at the loss of Mr. Schloss as the administrator. He has made a great contribution to the hospital's growth during the past five years.



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## **Hospital Administrator Resigns; Cites Conflict With Board Actions**

Norman C. Davis, Wasatch County Hospital Administrator acknowledged in an inquiry this week that he had submitted his resignation to the hospital board and would be leaving about August 15th. He cited disillusionment with the hospital board as his reasons for leaving, charging the board with failure to control the medical staff sufficiently to provide first quality care. Mr. Davis joined the staff the first of this year.

The administrator revealed the reason he had given the board for leaving commenting, "I felt they (the board) had evaded a significant responsibility with regard to the control of the medical staff. As a governing board of a hospital, they are charged with the responsibility for the quality of care that is delivered in the community. My feeling is that they have not met that responsibility."

Mr. Davis declined to cite a particular example, but was apparently referring to the outcome of private hearings recently held by the hospital board. The executive sessions began on May 30th and continued for about two weeks ending with a formal private hearing.

Harold H. Smith, hospital board chairman and Wasatch County Commissioner, admitted that the board had received Mr. Davis' resignation, but no formal action had been taken on accepting the resignation. They are, however, interviewing new applicants for the position. He stressed that the board had not requested his resignation and admitted that

members, and only after long hours of deliberation, did the board make what we believe was a sound decision," he added thoughtfully.

The hospital has seen many changes during the past several months. Specialists have been added to the staff, including a Respiratory Therapist and Laboratory Technologist. A trained Emergency Room Technician was also recently hired to man the ambulance and additional life-saving equipment was purchased for the ambulance.

Several thousand dollars worth of technical equipment has been added to the hospital, including a heart monitor to be utilized in surgery. The laboratory department gained a flame photometer, a chloridometer and a fibrometer, which assesses the blood clotting time of a patient. The Respiratory Department also received two important pieces of equipment used in evaluating patients breathing problems.

The hospital was also certified as a Medicare Extended Care Facility this year and two new physicians have been added to the staff.

